

Washington
Secretary of State

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Washington State Productivity Board

Public Service Recognition Week

What is PSRW?

- A nationally recognized week to pay tribute to public service professionals.
- Encourage excellence and esprit de corps in government.
- Promote interest in public service careers.
- Inform citizens about the services public employees provide.
- Celebrated during the first week of May each year.

PSRW in Washington



Secretary of State Sam Reed

- Governor Lowry charged the Productivity Board with administering PSRW for Washington.
- The Board promotes the event and all activities.

Committees

- Extra Mile Award
- Leadership Award
- Ralph Munro Longevity Award
- Area Celebration Ceremonies

Extra Mile Award

- Employees nominate co-workers for going above and beyond.
- Evaluates and scores, selecting the top 10-15 nominees.
- Coordinates award presentations.



Leadership Award

- Can be nominated by anyone
- Given to leaders who show exemplary leadership
- Judged on: visionary leadership, commitment to service, significant contributions to the advancement of state government, personal integrity



2008 Leadership Award Winner, David Trujillo

“Ralph Munro” Longevity Award

- Works with DOP to obtain a statewide list of employees who have at least 40 years of service.
- Verifies length of service.
- Recipients with 40, 45, and 50+ years of service are recognized.



Spokane Longevity Award Winner Ernest Gilmour

Celebration Committees

- Coordinate parking, food, and agency display booths.
- Schedule participation by elected officials, agency heads and employees.
- Coordinate set up and clean up.



Vancouver Event





River City Band



State Auditor Brian Sonntag presented a Leadership Award to Trooper Dale Retzlaff



Senator Joseph Zarelli thanking Public Employees for their service



Hotdogs Prepared by Whipple Creek Church



Esther Short Park



Back Row, Left to Right: Bob Williams, Mike Kesler, Merlinda Sain, Nadine Medford
Front Row, Left to Right: Abbi Russell, Diana Nield, Annie Linstrom, Brian Stewart

Vancouver PSRW planning committee

2008 Olympia Event



WSP Color Guard



DOH Vegetable Mascots



Secretary Reed





Olympia PSRW planning committee

Tri-Cities Event





Lions Club Barbeque



Tri-Cities PSRW planning committee

Spokane Event



Color Guard



Spokane Extra Mile Award Winners





Spokane PSRW planning committee

Your Responsibilities

- Distribute information to all staff.
- Volunteer to serve, and participate, on a committee that fits in with your time and interest.
- Attend as many PSRW meetings as possible.
- Encourage employees in all areas to get involved.

Resources

- Productivity Board, Office of the Secretary of State www.secstate.wa.gov/productivityboard
- The Council for Excellence in Government www.excelgov.org/psrw